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In re Patent Application of:

Arnold M. Gans

Application No.: 10/689,236 Group Art Unit: 1615

Filed: October 20, 2003 Examiner: H. N. Sheikh

For: METHOD FOR TREATING WOUNDS TO

PROMOTE HEALING

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed January 16, 2007, setting forth a Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application. In the present Office Action, the Examiner requires restriction based on the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

- I. Claims 1-23, drawn to a method of treating a mammal to promote wound healing, classified in class 424, subclass 443.
- II. Claims 24-31, drawn to a method of treating a mammal to promote wound healing, classified in class 424, subclass 443.

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III. Claims 32-53, drawn to a method of treating a mammal with a high protein concentration nutritional supplement, classified in class 424, subclass 400.

IV. Claims 54-58, drawn to a method of inducing compliance, classified in class 424, subclass 439.

The Examiner is thanked for the courtesy of a brief telephone interview during which the Examiner discussed the basis for Groups I and II and, in response to an inquiry from the undersigned, agreed that Group II should be joined with Group I, representing claims 1-31.

In response to the modified restriction as discussed above, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group I, corresponding to claims 1-31. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application corresponding to the non-elected claims.

In the event any fee is due in connection with the present response, the Examiner is authorized to charge Applicant's Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

Dated: January 23, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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